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FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS PROTECTION FORCE, THE UNITED NATIONS CONFIDENCE RESTORATION OPERATION IN CROATIA, THE UNITED NATIONS PREVENTIVE DEPLOYMENT FORCE AND THE UNITED NATIONS PEACE FORCES HEADQUARTERS

Report of the Fifth Committee (Part II)

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The previous recommendation made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly under agenda item 129 appears in the report of the Committee contained in document A/51/639.

2. The Fifth Committee resumed its consideration of the item at its 41st and 46th meetings, on 12 and 17 December 1996. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/51/SR.41 and 46).

3. At the 41st meeting, on 12 December, the Controller made a statement regarding the need for additional commitment authority for the liquidation of the combined forces and provision of central support for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997.

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT DECISION A/C.5/51/L.26

4. At the 46th meeting, on 17 December, the representative of Armenia introduced a draft decision entitled "Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters" (A/C.5/51/L.26), which had been submitted by the Chairman on the basis of informal consultations.

5. At the same meeting, the Fifth Committee adopted draft decision A/C.5/51/L.26 without a vote (see para. 6).

III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters

The General Assembly, recalling its resolution 51/12 of 4 November 1996 on the financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters and pending its review of the performance report for the period from 1 January to 30 June 1996:

(a) Decides to authorize the Secretary-General to enter into additional commitments for the liquidation of the combined Forces and the provision of common support for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997 in the amount of 12,860,300 United States dollars gross (12,227,800 dollars net), inclusive of the additional amount of 895,000 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations;

(b) Requests the Secretary-General to take all necessary actions to address the relevant findings and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, the Office of Internal Oversight Services and the Board of Auditors in respect of the combined Forces.